DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

	Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice ...	7½	5½ to 5¾	seers per rupee.
Ragi ...	19½	10½ to 11	

State of standing crops.—Withering.

Cattle are in good condition. Water sufficient. Fodder is growing very dear.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *The standing crops,* both wet and dry, *viz.,* paddy, sugar-cane, ragi, avare and togari are fading throughout the district for want of rain. Raiyats are very anxiously waiting for rain. It is reported that further failure of rain will damage the standing crops in all the taluks to a great extent. No damage to crops by insects has been reported.

10. Prospects of the season are not very hopeful. Rainfall has been insufficient all over the district, except in parts of the Magadi and Channapatna Taluks. Food stuffs are available in sufficient quantities, but their prices are going higher.

11. Except for plague in all the taluks of the district, excepting Channapatna and Closepet, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" in Marlavadi Hobli, Kankanhalli Taluk, and Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, and "Naradi Roga" in Chaumarahalli village, Closepet Sub-Taluk, are still prevailing. Drinking water is reported to be available in the district, excepting the Kodihalli Hobli, Kankanhalli Taluk, where well-water is being used for cattle. It is reported that green grass is not available in sufficient quantities and that dry fodder can be had in sufficient quantities, excepting in some parts of the Magadi Taluk, where, it is reported, that green leaves are being used as fodder owing to herds of cattle having come into that taluk, from parts of the Kunigal and Tumkur Taluks.

KOLAR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops* are withering for want of rain, which is badly needed.

Crops sown.—Nil.

Crop harvested and its yield.—Same in the Bowringpet and Gudibanda, yield 8 annas in each taluk.

10. Prospects of the season unsatisfactory and rain is very badly needed throughout the district. Food stuffs are available, but their prices continue to be very high.

11. Except for plague in a few villages of Sidlaghatta, cholera in parts of the Bowringpet Taluk and small-pox in parts of the Mulbagal Taluk, public health generally good.

12. It is reported that Rinderpest is prevailing among cattle in parts of Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, Goribidnur and Gudibanda. Water and fodder just sufficient.

TUMKUR.

8. Supply in markets moderate.

9. *Standing crops* are reported to be withering in all the taluks for want of rain.

Crops sown.—Horse gram and cholam in Tiptur and Turuvekere; and horse gram in Sira and Pavagada.

Crops harvested.—Nat ragi in Maddagiri and Pavagada; cholam in Gubbi, Maddagiri and Koratagere; and sugar-cane in Sira and Turuvekere.

10. Prospects of the season not encouraging. Food stuffs available but their prices are very high. Rain is badly needed throughout the district.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy, except in certain villages of Tumkur, Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira and Tiptur, where they are suffering from "Dod Roga." Water and fodder are available at present in limited quantities in the taluks of Sira, Tiptur, Kunigal, Koratagere and Turuvekere. They are getting scanty in the taluks of Tumkur, Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Gubbi and Pavagada. Date leaves are being used as fodder in Tiptur and Kunigal. Some cattle from the Tumkur and Kunigal Taluks have been taken for grazing purposes to the Magadi Taluk. Similarly some raiyats of the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk are reported to have taken their cattle to Sigegudda and other places.

MYSORE.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands in parts of the Malvalli Taluk are being ploughed and made ready for sowing Bengal gram.

Standing crops.—Wet crops, *viz.*, paddy and sugar-cane in parts of the Mysore and Chamrajnagar Taluks, and paddy in parts of the Heggaddevankote and Malvalli Taluks, are reported to be withering for want of rain. It is reported that dry crops in parts of the Mysore, Heggaddevankote, Nanjangud, T.-Narsipur, Malvalli and Krishnarajpete Taluks are also withering. In other parts of the district, they are reported to be in moderately good condition. Rain is, however, very badly wanted throughout the district.

Crops sown.—Coriander, black gram, green gram and Bengal gram in parts of the Gundlupet Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Nil.

10. Prospects of the season not hopeful. Rain is urgently wanted throughout the district. Food stuffs sufficient for the present, but their prices are on the rise.

11. Except for plague in a few places in the district, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy, but "Dod Roga" in parts of the Mysore, Chamrajnagar and Gundlupet Taluks, and "Sappe Roga" in parts of the Mysore and Yedatore Taluks are still prevailing. Tanks and wells in parts of the Nanjangud Taluk are reported to be running dry. Water and fodder available.

HASSAN.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Paddy and ragi in the Manjarabad Taluk are reported to be in somewhat good condition. All crops throughout the district are reported to be badly in want of rain. Damage is being done to crops by "Katte Hula" in the Manjarabad Taluk and "Kondli Hula" in the Banavar Hobli of the Arsikere Taluk.

Crops sown.—Gingelly is being sown in parts of the Manjarabad Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Ragi and cardamom in the Manjarabad Taluk; gingelly and potato in the Arkalgud Taluk are being harvested.

10. Prospects of the season are not so serious just at present but are causing anxiety for want of rain. Food grains are available, but their prices have risen high.

11. Except for plague in parts of Hassan and Belur Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. But "Dod Roga" continues still in parts of the Manjarabad, Belur and Hole-Narsipur Taluks. It is subsiding in the Hassan Taluk. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, from which cattle are being driven out towards Kadur and Belur for grazing in the kavals there.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops, viz.*, paddy, ragi and sugar-cane are withering for want of rain in parts of all the taluks, except the low lying tracts and the Tirthahalli Taluk. For want of rain, ragi crop in certain localities in the Shimoga and Sorab Taluks, and horse gram in the Sorab Taluk have totally failed.

Crops harvested.—Karthika paddy in portions of the Sorab Taluk; ragi in the Honnali Taluk and arecanut in the Sagar Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are not encouraging and may take a serious turn if there should be no rain in near future. Food grains are available but their prices are high.

11. Public health generally good. But plague continues still in the town of Shimoga and in a few villages in the Shimoga and Channagiri Taluks and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

12. Water and fodder are available, except in a few villages of the Holehonnur and Benkipur Hoblis of the Shimoga Taluk, where want of them is just beginning to be felt.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Ploughing operation is going on in parts of the Chikmagalur Taluk.

Standing crops:—

In Chikmagalur—Paddy, avare, gingelly, dod ragi, coriander, sugar-cane, togari and coffee.

In Kadur—Paddy, ragi, jola, avare, horse gram, sugar-cane, togari, chillies and castor.

In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi, horse gram, avare, togari, jola, navane, baragu, coriander, gingelly, sugar-cane, green gram and black gram.

In Koppa—Paddy, sugar-cane, areca, pepper, cardamom and coffee.

In Mudgere—Paddy, ragi, cardamom, sugar-cane, areca and coffee.

In Yedahalli—Paddy, sugar-cane, areca and coffee.

In Sringeri—Paddy and areca.

All these are reported to be withering for want of rain. In the Chikmagalur Taluk, it is reported that some damage is being done to the standing crops by insects, owing to want of rain.

Crops harvested and their yield:—

Kadur—Sugar-cane, yield 8 annas.	
Tarikere—Black gram and gingelly on a small scale.	
Koppa—Areca and cardamom	do
Mudgere—Cardamom	do
Sringeri—Areca	do

10. Prospects of the season fair in the malnad, but discouraging in the maidan parts of the district. Rain is urgently wanted throughout the district. Food stuffs are available, but their prices are high.

11. Except for plague in a few villages in the district, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. But "Dod Roga" is still prevailing in certain parts of the district. Water and fodder are available. They are getting scanty especially in the maidan parts. In some villages of the Bidre and Yagati hoblis of the Kadur Taluk, it is reported that cattle are being fed on date leaves.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Such as ragi, jola, horse gram, togari, avare, castor, haraka, sajje, navane, save, chillies, cotton and gingelly are withering for want of rain. But crops under *kapile* wells are in fairly good condition.

Crops sown.—Jola in the Davangere Taluk and the Harihar Sub-Taluk and gingelly in the Harihar Sub-Taluk.

Crops harvested and their yield.—Sugar-cane and jola in the Chitaldrug Taluk, yield from 4 to 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not encouraging. Rain is urgently needed throughout the district. Food stuffs available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Holalkere Taluk, where "Rinderpest" prevails. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Hosdurga Taluk, where they are getting scarce.

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